I claim:

1. A method of calculating a premium for a package return insurance policy, comprising:

receiving from a user a policy requirement for the package return insurance policy;

accessing data corresponding to a specified item purchase associated with the package return insurance policy;

and determining the premium based on the policy requirement and the accessed data.

2. The method of claim 1, further comprising storing the policy requirement.

3. The method of claim 1, further comprising providing an indication of the premium to the user.

4. The method of claim 1, further comprising arranging for a consumer, merchants, and carriers to provide a payment based on the respective premium.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein said determination is based on an expected total cost of shipping and processing a future possible return of the specified item purchase.

13.   A device to calculate a premium for a package return insurance policy, comprising:

a processor; and

a storage device coupled to said processor and storing instructions adapted to be executed by said processor to:

receive from a user a policy requirement for the package return insurance policy;

access data corresponding to a specified item purchase associated with the package return insurance policy; and

determine the premium based on the policy requirement and the accessed data.